[Mr. Muruvelil Pachu Pillai.]

(*c*) whether, instead of this, the people have not petitioned the Government on several occasions for opening a new Munsiff's Court at Arukutti by grouping certain pakuties of the Vaikam and Shertallai taluks and bringing the same under its jurisdiction;

(*d*) whether this question was not urged in the last Session of the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly by the member representing the North Group, Shertallai taluk; and

(*e*) whether they have taken any action in the matter?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*), (*b*), (*c*) and (*d*) The answers are in the affirmative.

(*e*) The High Court are of opinion that there is no necessity for a Munsiff's Court at Arukutti.

MR. MURUVELIL PACHU PILLAI (*Shertallai*): അരുക്കുറ്റിയിൽ ഒരു മുൻസിഫ്ക്കോടതി ആവശ്യമില്ലെന്നു ഹൈക്കോടതി അഭിപ്രായപ്പെട്ടുന്നതായിട്ടു പറയുന്നു. ആവശ്യമുണ്ടോ ഇല്ലയോ എന്നുള്ളതിനെപ്പറ്റി ഗവണ്മെന്റു വല്ല അന്വേഷണവും നടത്തിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): ഈ മാതിരി സംഗതികളിൽഹൈക്കോടതി പുറപ്പെടുവിക്കുന്നു അഭിപ്രായത്തെയാണ് സാധാരണ ഗവണ്മെന്റു സ്വീകരിക്കാറുള്ളതു്.

Statement of officers drawing a pay of Rs. 40 and above.

76. **MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, showing the number of Brahmins, Nayars, Catholics, Jacobites, Mar Thoma Christians, Protestants, Ezhavas, Vellalas, Mahomedans, and members of other communities among the officers drawing a pay of Rs. 40 and over?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Government do not propose to collect the statistics in this respect as the time and labour involved in doing so will be out of all proportion to their possible utility.

Tank near the Public Market at Kuttattukulam.

77. **MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*) Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how many years is it since provision has been made in the Budget for digging a tank near the public market at Kuttattukulam in the Muvattupuzha taluk;

(*b*) whether the work has been started; and

(*c*) if the digging of the said tank has not been begun till now (1-7-1929), whether they will make arrangements for digging the tank without much delay?

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MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The work was never provided for in the Budget.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) This will be considered when the estimate is received.

Lapse of Budget allotment provided for the Varapetti-Neduvakad road.

78. **MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) from what year onwards provision is being made in the Budget for the road running from Varapetti in the Muvattupuzha taluk to Neduvakad *via* Pottanikad; and

(*b*) how many miles of the said road have been so completed as to be fit for cart traffic?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) From 1102 onwards.

(*b*) None.

Cart roads and navigable canals in the State.

79. **MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the extent in miles of cart roads and navigable canals per square mile in each of the taluks of the State?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The member is referred to the answer to his interpellation No. 143, asked at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 6th December 1928, and printed on page 222 of Volume XIV of the Council Proceedings. Later figures in regard to the length of roads and canals are contained on pages 189 and 190 of the *Statistics of Travancore for 1103 (9th issue)*.

The Chittar Scheme.

80. **MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI** (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Chief Engineer has submitted an estimate to them relating to the Chittar Reservoir Scheme;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether he has recommended a special staff for the above work;

(*c*) whether they have passed any orders on such recommendation; and

(*d*) if so, how and when?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The answer is in the negative.

(*b*), (*c*) and (*d*) These do not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

Levy of fine in Schools and Colleges.

81. **MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI** (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state the amount of fine they realised from school boys and college students for non-payment of fees on the appointed dates during 1 and 1103?

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